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Handwritten signature of R. M. Armstrong
 Mr. R. M. Armstrong, Jr.
 Acting Special Assistant to the
 Secretary of State for Research
 and Intelligence
 Department of State
 Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Armstrong

The delay in acknowledging your letter of 5 November 1947, relative to the withdrawal of the Department of State's representative on the Joint Intelligence Committee, was necessitated by the general reorganization resulting from the passage of the National Security Act of 1947.

The Central Intelligence Agency, under the direction of the National Security Council, recognizes its responsibility in the coordination of intelligence matters as between the military and non-military agencies of Government.

In view of the above, and at the request of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, we have designated a military representative of this Agency, together with a military assistant, to act as liaison officers with the Intelligence Section of the Joint Intelligence Group, Joint Chiefs of Staff. These representatives will serve as a channel between the Joint Intelligence Group and the Central Intelligence Agency, and will attend these meetings of the Joint Intelligence Committee dealing with intelligence estimates. In this manner we can assure the flow of intelligence material between the Joint Staff and the non-military Government entities.

Sincerely yours,

signed

R. M. Armstrong
 Rear Admiral, USN
 Director of Central Intelligence

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